

## RUSSIA HARD HIT.

She Loses Two Admirals and  
a Great Battleship.

## MAKAROFF SINKS ON SHIP.

The Petropavlovsk Strikes a  
Mine—Admiral Molos Lost.

Grand Duke Cyril Also on Board, but  
Escapes With 6 Officers and 32 Sailors  
of the 250 Men on the Vessel—Naval  
Engagement Off Port Arthur—Russian  
Cruiser Bayan and Two Other  
Vessels May Have Been Cut Off  
—Makaroff Was Evidently Trying to  
Retreat Into Port Arthur Harbor  
When His Ship Struck a Russian Mine  
—St. Petersburg in Consternation Over  
the News—The Czarina Breaks Down  
—Memorial Service Ordered for To-day.

Russia suffered a staggering blow  
yesterday in the war with Japan.

She not only lost a great battleship,  
the Petropavlovsk, with 700 officers and men,  
by one of her own submarine mines at the  
mouth of Port Arthur's harbor—the fourth  
disaster of the kind at Port Arthur since  
the war began—but she lost her great  
Admiral and intrepid sea fighter, Stepan  
Osipovich Makaroff.

Admiral Molos, who was also on the  
battleship Petropavlovsk, was lost. A naval  
engagement also occurred off Port Arthur,  
and it is thought that the armored cruiser  
Fayon and two other Russian warships  
may have been cut off.

The Japanese fleet had assembled in  
force off the harbor. Makaroff had taken  
his vessels out to meet them. When the  
Japanese fleet had been reinforced until  
it numbered thirty vessels, Admiral Makaroff  
decided to return to port. On the way in  
his flagship struck a Russian mine and  
was sunk almost immediately.

The Grand Duke Cyril, third removed  
from the Russian Crown, was on the ship  
and escaped, although slightly wounded.  
Only six other officers and thirty-two  
sailors, of about seven hundred and fifty  
officers and men on the ship, were saved.

There is reason to believe that a serious  
naval engagement took place and that  
Makaroff was retreating to the harbor for  
safety. Despatches from Wei-Hai-Wei say  
that the Japanese fleet had cut off the  
Russian armored cruiser Bayan. A Russian  
battleship, probably the Petropavlovsk, and  
the cruiser Askold went out to help her.  
Escaping steam from the Bayan indicated  
that she was damaged seriously.

The news caused consternation in St.  
Petersburg. The Czarina visited the Grand  
Duchess Vladimir, mother of Grand Duke  
Cyril, who was wounded, and was overcome  
with emotion. The people were thun-  
derstruck. The czar will attend a special  
memorial service this morning in the  
chapel of the Admiralty in St. Petersburg.

More skirmishing has occurred on the  
Yalu, twenty-two Russian infantrymen  
having been killed in a fight.

## LOSS OF THE PETROPAVLOVSK.

Official Despatches to the Czar on Makaroff's  
Death and His Ship's Destruction.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 13.—News reached  
St. Petersburg this morning in despatches  
to the czar of the loss of the battleship  
Petropavlovsk and the death of Admiral  
Makaroff, with 700 of his officers and crew  
off Port Arthur this morning. The de-  
spatches caused consternation and great  
excitement here.

The first news reached the czar in the  
following despatch from Rear Admiral  
Gregorovich, the naval commander at  
Port Arthur:

"The battleship Petropavlovsk struck a  
mine, which exploded, and the vessel cap-  
sized. Our squadron was lying under  
Golden Hill. The Japanese squadron was  
approaching. Admiral Makaroff appar-  
ently perished with the Petropavlovsk.  
Grand Duke Cyril, who was saved, was  
slightly wounded."

A later despatch from Admiral Gregorovich  
said:

"I beg to humbly report to your Majesty  
that those saved are Grand Duke Cyril, six  
officers and thirty-two sailors, all wounded.  
The bodies of four officers, a surgeon and  
twelve sailors have been found. The Jap-  
anese fleet has disappeared. Details will be  
supplied by Rear Admiral Prince Ukhtomsky,  
who has assumed provisional  
command of the fleet."

Admiral Alexieff, Viceroy of the Far East,  
also sent a brief despatch from Mukden,  
in which he said that with "profound grief"  
he announced the loss of the Petropavlovsk  
and "the able and illustrious chief of the  
Pacific Ocean squadron."

Admiral Alexieff transmitted from Muk-  
den a despatch from Lieut.-Gen. Stoesch,  
commander of the military forces at Port  
Arthur, in which the latter said:

"I regret to report to your Majesty that  
the Pacific fleet has suffered irreparable loss  
by the death of its brave and capable com-  
mander, who was lost, together with the  
Petropavlovsk."

In a later despatch Admiral Alexieff  
said:

"According to a report from Rear Admiral  
Gregorovich the battleships and cruisers,  
under the flag of the Commander-in-Chief,  
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## RUN DOWN BY BOY AUTO DRIVER.

Twelve-Year-Old Marion Grant Seriously  
Injured—Boy Arrested.

Marion Grant, twelve-year-old daughter  
of Wallace Grant, an automobile inventor,  
of 64 South Oxford street, Brooklyn, was  
run over and badly injured yesterday  
by an automobile driven by a sixteen-year-  
old boy, Alexis Loughran, son of Daniel  
S. Loughran, a Williamsburg ironfounder.

The girl was crossing the street to join  
her playmate, Jeannette Barber, daughter  
of Dr. Calvin F. Barber of 67 South Oxford  
street, when she was overtaken by the  
automobile. According to the police,  
young Loughran was on the wrong side  
of the street. His auto knocked the little  
girl down and ran over her.

Jeannette Barber, who was waiting for  
Marion, saw the accident and called her  
father. He carried the injured girl into his  
office. An ambulance surgeon from the  
Cumberland street hospital would not inter-  
fere with the case when he saw that Dr.  
Barber was attending to it. Several of the  
girl's ribs are broken and her right lung  
probably punctured.

In the automobile with Loughran was  
another boy, Loughran was looking up  
in the Classroom avenue station and later re-  
leased on \$500 bail, furnished by his father.  
Mr. Grant said last night that Loughran  
had no license to run an automobile.

## WATER IN HIS WINE CELLAR.

Newark Fire Department Called Out for  
U. S. Senator Dryden.

Senator John F. Dryden does not know it,  
but his home at 1020 Broad street, New-  
ark, was the centre of interest in that city  
last night, and a first class fire engine was  
working at his doorway. It was not throw-  
ing any Pequotnack water into his house,  
but was exerting its full power in drain-  
ing water out and transferring it to the sewers.

The Senator is in Washington, and his  
Newark home has been closed for some  
time, and is in charge of a watchman.  
Early last evening the occupants of the  
residence of the late Elisha B. Gaddis dis-  
covered that water was seeping the cellar  
of their house adjoining the Dryden home,  
and they quickly found the source of the  
trouble.

A water pipe had burst in Senator Dry-  
den's kitchen and the basement was flooded  
to a depth of six or seven feet. Senator  
Dryden's wine cellar was submerged. A  
call was sent out for plumbers and fire-  
men. Engine 3 was hurried to the scene,  
backed within the iron railing in front of  
the house and its suction pipe was passed  
through a basement window.

The engine was operated for three hours  
and the water was considerably lowered at  
midnight. The Fire Commissioners have  
hopes of emptying the cellar and giving the  
plumbers a chance to stop the flow of water  
before morning.

## OVERDOSE OF INSOMNIA CURE

Sends Mrs. Goebel to Bellevue—One of the  
Kentucky Family, Friend Says.

A woman who registered at the Grand  
Union Hotel on Tuesday as Maude Gordon  
of Valhalla was taken to Bellevue Hospital  
yesterday afternoon, suffering from an overdose  
of paralydels. She said she took the poison  
to make her sleep. The police thought she  
had attempted suicide. At the hospital  
she said she was Mrs. Emily Goebel.

Mrs. Frances Sherwood of 800 West 187th  
street, a friend of the woman, said last  
night that she first met Mrs. Gordon, or  
Goebel, at a convention of the Eastern  
Alliance, at Forty-fourth street and Eighth  
avenue, about a year ago. She was without  
friends and some of the Alliance women  
took care of her. She had been stopping  
until recently with Mrs. Sherwood, when  
she went to Valhalla to live with a Mrs.  
Powell.

Mrs. Sherwood said that she thought the  
woman was a member of the Goebel family  
of Kentucky. Her husband committed  
suicide a year ago, it was said.

## WOMAN DOG POISONER

Fourteen Animals Found Dead in Flat-  
bush Within Three Days.

Many valuable dogs owned by residents  
of Vandewater Park and the southern  
section of Flatbush have been poisoned  
during the last few weeks. Fourteen were  
found dead during the last three days in  
the vicinity of East Thirty-seventh street,  
between Avenues I and J. Two of them  
belonged to Mrs. Frank Kingsland of 1137  
East Thirty-seventh street, who declared  
that a woman was the poisoner. Mrs.  
Kingsland said:

"There have been at least thirty dogs  
poisoned in this neighborhood within a  
year, and nine of them were mine. Why,  
not long ago the woman who has been  
poisoning these dogs told me that my dogs  
and my children ought to be tied up on the  
piazza. What do you think of that?"

A great Dane, owned by the Rev. Father  
Francis X. Assisi, Nostrand avenue and  
Sixth road, under treatment by Dr.  
Bollinger, a veterinarian, for arsenic poison-  
ing, died on Tuesday. The animal was  
valued at \$500.

"I have been kept very busy treating  
dogs that have been suffering with evidences  
of arsenic poisoning," said Dr. Bollinger.  
"It is a very cruel and terrible disease.  
The animals suffer terribly before they  
die, often lingering several days.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty  
to Animals ought to put a detective to work  
on this matter."

## TRIBUTE TO A BRAVE COP.

What the Mayor Said to McKenna, Who  
Lost His Eyes in the City's Service.

One of the legislative bills on which the  
Mayor held a hearing yesterday provided  
for increasing the pension of Patrolman  
J. J. McKenna from \$400 to \$1,400 a year.  
McKenna had his eyes shot out in Septem-  
ber, 1902, while trying to arrest a negro who  
had barricaded himself in a house at North  
Beach after shooting at some boys.

McKenna, his eyesless sockets covered  
with green glasses, was at the hearing. He  
was led by his aged mother. After the  
hearing the Mayor went over to where  
McKenna was sitting in the corner of the  
room and shook him by the hand.

"McKenna," said Mr. McClellan, "you are  
a brave man and deserve this pension. It  
will give me the greatest pleasure to sign  
this bill."

"God bless you, sir. May you prosper  
always," said the policeman's old mother,  
the tears streaming down her face.

## \$100,000 Memorial to His Wife.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., April 13.—Daniel B.  
Wesson of Smith & Wesson, revolver  
makers, has given \$100,000 to the Hampden  
Hospital for a modern hospital building. The gift  
will be a memorial to Mrs. Wesson.

## RAIDS ON THE CITY TREASURY

TWO BILLS THAT INVOLVE MORE  
THAN \$3,000,000.

They Have Passed the Legislature, but  
Must Meet With Mayor McClellan's  
Approval Before Becoming Effective  
—Salary-Grab Bills That May Pass.

ALBANY, April 13.—The Legislature con-  
tinues its great record for mischief making  
and the taxpayers of New York city are the  
sufferers by reason of the presence of the  
Solons in this city. The two bills that  
passed the Legislature to-day contain  
provisions that will amount to more than \$3,000,000  
if Mayor McClellan approves of them.  
There are several more bills that, if passed,  
will deplete the New York city treasury  
further, such as a grab for salaries, and  
any number of these bills have passed the  
Legislature already. Court attendants  
and other clerical attaches have benefited  
extensively at this session.

But the biggest raid that has been made  
on the city treasury was by the passage  
by the Senate this afternoon of Assembly-  
man De Groof's bill ordering the New York  
city Board of Estimate and Apportionment  
to provide back compensation for the volun-  
teer firemen of Queens and Richmond  
boroughs. The bill provides that  
the respective volunteer companies in  
Queens and Richmond boroughs prior  
to the time of the consolidation and who  
have remained members shall receive back  
compensation at an amount that the Board  
of Estimate and Apportionment will pro-  
vide. There are over 2,000 of the volunteer  
firemen in Queens borough alone, and it  
is estimated there are nearly 1,000 in Rich-  
mond borough.

During Mayor Van Wyck's administra-  
tion a bill was passed providing that the  
members of the old volunteer fire companies  
in those parts of Kings county who have  
made time to come from the city to the  
Legislature should receive pay from the city  
for services rendered since the consolidation  
act was passed. The Board of Estimate and  
Apportionment settled the amount of compensa-  
tion that each fireman should receive at \$5 a month.  
This cost the city something like \$2,000,000.  
The De Groof bill will benefit the volun-  
teer firemen of Queens and Richmond bor-  
oughs considerably more than the bill now  
before the Legislature. It is estimated that  
the compensation the amount for six years the  
bill will foot up to nearly \$3,000,000.

This bill was put through the Legis-  
lature by several attorneys, who will re-  
ceive a compensation of \$70,000 for their  
services, the entire expense being borne  
by the lawyers. The measure is permis-  
sive in its nature, and need not be acted  
upon by this present Board of Estimate  
and Apportionment, but can remain passive  
until an administrative board of city officers  
that will be friendly to the volunteer fire-  
men.

The second raid was the passage by  
the Assembly of Senator Carpenter's  
notorious White Plains Road Improve-  
ment bill. Should this become a law—and  
again the responsibility rests with Mayor  
McClellan—it will mean that the city will  
have to come from the city treasury, and  
if the charge that four New York city law-  
yers are to receive \$300,000 for putting  
through the Legislature the bill imposing  
upon New York city 75 per cent. of the cost  
of the improvement is true, they must do  
all business now with the Tammany ad-  
ministration, for if Mayor McClellan vetoes  
the bill it cannot be considered by Gov.  
Odell. The Republicans in the Legislature  
made this bill a party measure, as a number  
of New York city Republican lawyers and  
politicians are behind it.

The bill introduced by Senator Carpenter,  
and which passed the Senate last week,  
passed the lower House to-day by a party  
vote of 81 to 52. All of the New York city  
Republicans voted for the bill, for this was  
the bill of the O. K. W. Williams  
M. Halpin, chairman of the executive com-  
mittee of the New York city Republican  
committee, who was quite active about the  
Assembly chamber to-day.

Evidently the machinery to pass the  
voting machine bill was not thoroughly  
oiled to-day in the Assembly, for the bill  
which makes it mandatory for every city  
and village in the State to adopt a voting  
machine was put over until to-morrow.  
This will permit the lobby to get in its work  
before to-morrow morning, as the bill is  
on the calendar for to-morrow.

To-day the Senate had an inning with  
the voting machine bill introduced by  
Senator Davis. This is different from the  
bill introduced in the Assembly, as it is not  
mandatory and was amended in committee  
so that a good many of the provisions de-  
stimated; but even then the bill was a  
dangerous one, and the voting machine  
interests were willing to accept it in its  
amended form if it would be passed. But  
the entire Democratic representation was  
opposed to it, and the bill was killed by a  
vote of 29 to 18.

Senator Grady, the minority leader,  
voted for the bill, but every other Demo-  
crat voted against it, and were joined by  
Senators Elton R. Brown, W. L. Brown,  
Carpenter, Littauer, Malloy, Prime, Ste-  
vens, Stewart and White.

Col. Michael J. Daly and John Drake,  
who have been pushing the bill for several  
years, were interested observers of the  
proceedings. As soon as the clerk had  
announced the result they secured the roll  
call and studied the vote. To-night they  
have been very busy, and it depends upon  
what they accomplish before the session is  
over to-morrow whether they will want to  
press the O'Neill bill in the Assembly. If  
the bill cannot go through the Senate there  
will be no use in making a fight in the  
Assembly.

## POISONED CAKE FOR CHILDREN.

Italian Looked Up on Suspicion That He  
Tried to Kill Two Youngsters.

Michael Petrio, a laborer, living at 32  
Oak street, was arrested last night because  
an Italian druggist said there was poison  
in some cakes he had given to Michael  
and Lizzie Freeman, aged 8 and 4 years,  
who live in the same house as Petrio.

The mother of the children said Petrio  
gave the cakes to the children. Soon after  
saying them they became very ill, and the  
druggist was called in to treat the children.  
He said that the cakes were poisoned.

The police are trying to get hold of some  
of the cakes. No one can suggest why  
Petrio should want to poison the young-  
sters.

From the "Rattle of the Hammer"—  
Under's Scotch.—Adv.

## NO SINGLES FOR THE QUINNS.

Two Sets of Doubles and One of Triples  
in That Clan Late.

WILKESBARRE, April 13.—There are sev-  
eral Quinn families at South Scranton, and  
recently in three of their homes things  
have happened which forced the other  
Quinns into a speculative mood.

A short time ago Charles Quinn of Pros-  
perity avenue suddenly headed his friends  
two cigars each. Twins had arrived. Dr.  
M. H. Quinn, who officiated at the births,  
twisted the proud father, who had only to  
wait a few days to make pat rejoinder.  
Twins arrived at the doctor's home.

On Monday of this week, Thomas Quinn  
of Stone avenue called Dr. Quinn on a matter  
of importance and waited anxiously down-  
stairs to hear the result.

"I'll give you three guesses," said the  
doctor.  
"Is it a boy?" asked the hopeful father.  
The doctor shook his head.  
"A girl, then?"  
The doctor shook his head again.  
"You don't mean to say it's a twinning?"  
"No," said the doctor, smiling.  
"Well, my gracious, what has happened,  
then?" cried the father.  
"Triplets," said the doctor, "two girls  
and a boy!"

Is it any wonder that the other Quinns  
are in a speculative mood?

## WHAT'S AN ALDERMAN WORTH?

Not More Than \$1,000 a Year, Says Gen.  
Sickles—City Fathers Displeased.

On the calendar at the Aldermen's meet-  
ing yesterday were several recommendations  
for increasing salaries of city em-  
ployees. When there came a motion to  
increase the pay of a stenographer in the  
Board of Estimate's office from \$1,200 to  
\$1,500, Gen. Sickles objected.

"That is too much to pay any stenog-  
rapher," he declared. "The city can get  
all the stenographers it wants for \$900 a  
year. This system of overpaying city  
employees ought to have some limit placed  
on it. Why, the Aldermen only get \$1,000  
a year, but I think that is about all we are  
worth to the city."

Several Aldermen jumped up in a hurry.  
Aldermen Downing was the first recognized.  
"I am willing to agree with Gen. Sickles,  
that perhaps he is worth only \$1,000 a year  
to the city, but when I consider the work  
I do I feel that I ought to get at least \$3,000,"  
said the Alderman.

"I agree with Mr. Downing, that we are  
not paid enough," said "Little Tim" Sul-  
livan. "Some of us here are not so well fixed  
as Gen. Sickles, and have to occupy our  
time in working for a living. When we  
give a part of that time to the city we ought  
to be properly paid for it. As it is, we  
are underpaid, and the city is the loser."  
The Aldermen in the city. I don't know how  
much time the General gives to the affairs  
of the city, but I am satisfied to abide by  
his own estimate of his value as his services  
as a public representative."

## NEGRO SHOOTS SCHOOLBOY.

Kansas City Police Carry Rifles to Prevent  
Disturbances.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 13.—The murder  
of Roy Martin, a freshman in the Kansas  
City High School, by Louis Gregory, a  
negro, at Kerr's Park yesterday afternoon,  
caused a demonstration by the white pupils  
at the high school this morning.

Eighty negro pupils attend the high  
school. When they went to school this  
morning they were prevented from en-  
tering the building by the 700 white pupils.  
The building was surrounded by boys, and  
the great doorways were blocked by girls.  
Every window, too, was guarded by girls.  
Chief of Police Murray this morning dis-  
tributed Winchester rifles among his men,  
and the city will be patrolled by police-  
men armed with rifles ready to quell any  
disturbance.

The killing of Roy Martin was cold-  
blooded. Some students were exercising.  
A crowd of negroes was standing near,  
and as the boys passed they jeered them  
and made insulting remarks. There were some  
words, and one negro said, "Shoot them!"  
Gregory drew a revolver and fired at  
Martin. The ball went through his heart,  
killing him instantly. Gregory escaped, but  
was arrested later.

## JUSTICE SHIP FOR COWAN?

Police Gossip Is That He'll Succeed Hol-  
brook in Special Success.

This will be John F. Cowan's last day  
at Police Headquarters. The new Third  
Deputy Commissioner, Harris Lindaville,  
will take charge to-morrow. The regular  
police trials take place to-day and Mr.  
Lindaville will preside. Mr. Cowan will sit  
with him and give the new deputy pointers.  
Gossip at Police Headquarters yesterday  
was that Mr. Cowan would be made a Justice  
Inspector. He was to fill the unexpired  
term of William C. Holbrook, who died three  
weeks ago. The late Justice Holbrook  
had nearly three years more to serve. It  
is said that Mayor McClellan will announce  
the selection of Mr. Cowan either to-day  
or to-morrow. The salary is \$9,000 a year.  
As Third Deputy Police Commissioner  
Mr. Cowan received only \$4,000 a year.

Mr. Cowan was put over as the southern half  
of the Thirty-fourth Assembly district.

## VINCENT VICTORY LOCKED UP.

Argumentative Lawyer Was Certain That  
the Pudding Was Sour.

Vincent Victory, a lawyer of 90 Nassau  
street, went into one of the Mink restau-  
rants, at 1487 Broadway, last night and  
ordered pudding. He said the pudding was  
sour. A number of patrons became in-  
terested in the altercation and Victory  
invited them to taste the pudding. They  
all pronounced it sweet.

The row increased until, according to  
the police, Victory was thrown out. On  
the sidewalk he made threats against the  
manager of the restaurant and got into an  
argument with the crowd which gathered.  
Policeman Finner of the West Forty-seventh  
street station arrested him. He was locked  
up on a charge of disorderly conduct  
and hauled out later by David C. Miller  
of 459 West Forty-third street.

## CALL FOR AN ANTI-RENT UNION.

25 Per Cent. Reduction All Around or No  
Rent Is the C. F. U. Plan.

The Central Federated Union wants an  
anti-high rent union. Its miscellaneous  
section adopted yesterday a resolution call-  
ing upon the wage earners of this city "to  
organize an anti-high rent union for the  
purpose of making a general demand  
that rents be lowered at least 25 per cent.  
and refusing to pay any rent to landlords  
until the demand is complied with."

## GRAB HIM, SAID THE TELEPHONE

AND THE BANK GRABBED THE  
MAN WITH THE \$15,000 CHECK.

Mr. "Lathrop" Decided to Buy Mr.  
Romeyn's House in Hackensack—Real  
Estate Agent Introduced Him at the  
Bank—Bank Consulted Pinkertons.

The New York office of the Pinkertons  
was called up on the telephone yesterday  
by F. B. Plympton, secretary of the Hack-  
ensack Trust Company at Hackensack.  
Mr. Plympton told Supt. Dougherty that  
a man had just left with the bank a \$15,000  
certified check on the First National Bank  
of Boston to open an account. Mr. Plympton  
thought maybe he might be a swindler.

"What does he look like?" asked Dough-  
erty.  
"Well," said Hackensack, "he's small  
and slight with a cast in one eye and a  
black mustache. Dapper little man."

"Where is he now?" asked New York.  
"Just gone out—there he is, right across  
the street, now," answered the voice from  
Hackensack, the eyes attached to the voice  
having apparently glanced out of a  
window.

"You put down the receiver and go get  
him," said New York. "We'll talk after  
he's safe in the bank."

In a few moments Plympton was back  
at the telephone. He said they'd got the  
man all right—they sent Teller Charles H.  
Plenty for him, but that they were afraid  
they had been a little hasty.

"Why," said Mr. Plympton, "he thinks  
it's a great joke. Doesn't blame us for  
being suspicious, supposed we didn't often  
get such a big check out here. Says he'd  
have done the same if he was in my place.  
And, say, he wants us to look up Boston.  
I guess it's all right. He looks honest, and  
he's got a summer engagement in New York  
to keep. We've made a mistake all right,  
and I guess we'd better let him go."

"Not on your life," said Dougherty. Then  
he told Mr. Plympton that they had been  
looking for just such a young man since  
last December. From the description that  
Plympton gave, Dougherty guessed that  
Hackensack had got the man who had  
drawn \$1,200 from the Federal Trust Com-  
pany of Newark after depositing a bogus  
draft for \$1,000 drawn on the First National  
Bank of Akron, Ohio. He told the Hack-  
ensack people to keep a tight grip on the  
prisoner until he could hustle somebody over  
from Newark to identify him.

The man was escorted to police head-  
quarters, where John Crooks, Jr., of the  
Federal Trust Company of Newark identi-  
fied him. He was held in default of \$5,000  
bail.

The prisoner went under the name of  
John D. Lathrop, Jr., in Hackensack. He  
gave it out that he was the son of John  
Lathrop of the Lathrop Publishing Com-  
pany of Boston, and immediately after he  
arrived in town began negotiations for the  
purchase of Lawyer James A. Romeyn's  
house at the corner of Union and Pacific  
streets. It was the real estate agent who in-  
troduced him at the bank. The game he  
tried in Newark was somewhat similar.

The Pinkertons say that he has tried his  
swindle successfully in Brooklyn and Yon-  
kers. He confessed after his arrest that  
he had an accomplice whose name was  
James A. Trapp and had an engagement  
to meet him at 9 o'clock last night at the  
Hoffman House.

## END OF THE NEAR-SIDE STOP.

Aldermen Voted Unanimously to Repeal  
Obnoxious Ordinance.

The "near side" ordinance was repealed  
yesterday by the Aldermen. The change  
was ordered to take effect immediately  
so that as soon as the repeal is signed by the  
Mayor and the railroad companies can issue  
stop signs of the change the street cars will  
stop as of old on the far side of the street  
crossings.

The Tammany leaders of the board prom-  
ised a week after the obnoxious rule was  
passed to kill it, but they made no move  
to do so until they were prodded by Presi-  
dent Furness and until he published a letter  
from President Theodore of the Metropoli-  
tan company, stating that the new ordinance  
had not lessened the number of street acci-  
dents.

Little Tim and some of his friends made  
speeches justifying their inaction in the  
matter of the promised repeal on the ground  
that they wanted to give the "near side"  
a fair shot before deciding away with it.  
They all said that as it had been dem-  
onstrated that the number of street acc